

In response to the Office Action mailed August 1, 2003,  
please amend the claims to read as follows:

1. (currently amended) A portable computer controlled user  
interactive touch responsive read/write display pad  
comprising:

a display screen displaying text and graphics;

a transparent touch sensitive pad covering said display  
screen;

means responsive to cursive drawing touch input for  
displaying such drawing on said display screen;

means for displaying a full character keyboard on said  
display screen;

means responsive to touch inputs to characters on said  
keyboard for displaying said touch keyboard inputs as text  
entries within said displayed text and graphics; and

~~means for selectively rendering either one of said  
means responsive to cursive drawing or said means responsive  
to inputs to touch keyboard non-interactive, while the other  
of said means remains interactive to thereby permit the  
unimpeded functioning of the means remaining interactive.~~

means responsive to an input to a key in said keyboard  
for rendering interactive said means responsive to keyboard  
inputs and for rendering non-interactive said means  
responsive to cursive drawing; and

means responsive to said cursive drawing for rendering  
interactive said means responsive to cursive drawing and for  
rendering non-interactive said means responsive to keyboard  
inputs.

- 1 2. (original) The display pad of claim 1 wherein said full  
2 character keyboard is superimposed upon and transparent to  
3 said displayed text and graphics.

3. (cancelled)

1 4. (original) The display pad of claim 2 further including  
2 means for varying the transparenttness of said superimposed  
3 keyboard.

1 5. (previously presented) The display pad of claim 4 further  
2 including means for varying the transparenttness of said  
3 superimposed keyboard whereby said keyboard is less  
4 transparent when said keyboard is interactive and more  
5 transparent when said keyboard is non-interactive.

1 6. (cancelled)

1 7. (currently amended) The display pad of claim ~~6~~ 1 further  
2 including means for varying the transparenttness of said  
3 superimposed keyboard whereby said keyboard is less  
4 transparent when said keyboard is interactive and more  
5 transparent when said keyboard is non-interactive.

1 8. (currently amended) In a portable computer controlled  
2 user interactive touch responsive read/write display pad  
3 having a display screen displaying text and graphics, and a  
4 transparent touch sensitive pad covering said display  
5 screen, a method for making both cursive and typed  
6 modifications to said displayed text and graphics  
7 comprising:

8 displaying cursive drawing on said display screen  
9 responsive to cursive drawing touch input;

10 displaying a full character keyboard on said display  
11 screen;

12 responsive to touch inputs to characters on said  
13 keyboard, displaying such touch inputs as text entries  
14 within said displayed text and graphics; and

15 ~~selectively rendering either one of said step~~  
16 ~~responsive to cursive drawing or said step responsive to~~  
17 ~~inputs to touch keyboard non-interactive while the other of~~  
18 ~~said steps remains interactive to thereby permit the~~  
19 ~~unimpeded functioning of the step remaining interactive.~~

responsive to an input to a key in said keyboard,  
rendering interactive said step responsive to keyboard  
inputs and for rendering non-interactive said step  
responsive to cursive drawing; and

responsive to a cursive drawing input, rendering  
interactive said step responsive to cursive drawing  
and rendering non-interactive said step responsive to inputs  
to touch keyboard.

1 9. (original) The method of claim 8 wherein said full  
2 character keyboard is superimposed upon and transparent to  
3 said displayed text and graphics.

1 10. (cancelled)

2 11. (original) The method of claim 9 further including the  
3 step of varying the transparentness of said superimposed  
4 keyboard.

1 12. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 further  
2 including the step of varying the transparentness of said  
3 superimposed keyboard whereby said keyboard is less  
4 transparent when said keyboard is interactive and more  
5 transparent when said keyboard is non-interactive.

1 13. (cancelled)

1 14. (currently amended) The method of claim ~~13~~ 8 further  
2 including the step of varying the transparentness of said  
3 superimposed keyboard whereby said keyboard is less  
4 transparent when said keyboard is interactive and more  
5 transparent when said keyboard is non-interactive.